

REMARKS:

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 5, 7, 8 and 10-13. Claims 5, 7, 8 and 10-13 are amended herein. No new matter is presented. Thus, claims 5, 7, 8 and 10-13 are pending and under consideration. The rejections are traversed below.

ALLOWED CLAIMS:

As indicated at item 4 of the outstanding Office Action, claims 1-4, 6 and 9 remain allowed.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(e):

Claims 5, 7, 8 and 10-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,397,072 (Peters).

Peters provides a roaming profile to a mobile terminal to allow the mobile terminal to be moved from one coverage area to another without service interruption. However, Peters requires that coverage areas be defined for each service offered (see, col. 8, line 50 through col. 9, line 26). Thus, Peters merely allows a user to transport a predefined service offered within a coverage area to another coverage area offering the same predetermined service, and requires that coverage area(s) be defined for each service.

Independent claims 5 recites, "storing freely settable area information corresponding to an area within a service coverage area and selectable service programs", "receiving position information of a mobile station and service selection information" and "determining whether a position represented by the position information of the mobile station is included in the area corresponding to any one of the selectable service programs, by using the position information of the mobile station and the service selection information."

Independent claim 12 recites, "receiving position and service selection information" and "providing the selected service program upon determining that the received position information of the mobile station corresponds to the linked area information of the selected service program using the position information of the mobile station and the service selection information." Claims 7, 8, 10 and 11 also recite that the area information corresponds to "each" selectable service program.

Independent claim 13 recites, "detecting position information of the mobile station and service selection information responsive to a service program request" and "providing a service

program... using the position information of the mobile station and the service selection information."

In contrast to Peters, which requires coverage areas to be defined for each offered service offered, the present invention allows the selectable service programs to be provided without restriction using "the position information of the mobile station and the service selection information" (see, each of independent claims 5, 7, 8 and 10-13).

Peters does not teach or suggest the above-discussed features of each of the independent claims.

Therefore, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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